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As part of the public comment on the Microsoft settlement, I would like you to know that I believe your settlement with Microsoft is fair and just. While we waste our time with Microsoft, we are not paying attention to other companies that are anti-competitive. For example, the cable TV industry. I have a choice whether I wish to use Linux or Windows on my PC, and I can choose what media player or browser I would like to use by either buying it, or downloading it for free. I do not have a choice with my cable TV access. I cannot choose the channels I wish to see (I pay for all or none). What about cable broadband internet access? It seems that a lot of consumers are stuck without a choice there. Do we punish one company because they out-smarted their competitors? What about AOL? Netscape, Sun and Oracle? Should they US Govt help them compete? I think that has no bearing on consumer choice. I support your settlement with Microsoft. After this is settled, maybe cable TV operators or AOL should be next.

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